

1 nature that would contribute a great deal to the knowledge
2 in decision making.

3 There are many other courses in high school
4 that help to broaden the vision and judgment of our young
5 people. But in addition, the youth in our high school
6 today have an unusual opportunity through the inter-
7 national student exchange program to come in contact with
8 youth of other lands and get broader outlooks on life
9 than their parents have had.

10 Since by the age of eighteen many of our students,
11 and I say approximately eighty per cent of our students,
12 have completed high school and are ready to take the next
13 step, both educationally and vocationally. If they are
14 ready for that, they are ready to assist in the formulation
15 of policies whether they be on the local or state level by
16 using the ballot box.

17 So, friends in the Convention, I hope you will
18 give consideration to this proposal of reducing the age
19 to eighteen. Thank you.

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Koss.

21 DELEGATE KOSS: Mr. Chairman, I assume I have